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Thirty-Seven Names On Ballots For Tuesday's Municipal Elections

With the filing deadlines passed, thirty-seven candidates have their names on the ballots in next Tuesday's municipal elections. Louisburg, Franklinton, Youngsville and Centerville voters will elect Mayors and Town Councils and Franklinton will elect three members to the City Board of Education.

The only contest in the four posts of Mayor will take place at Centerville where, for the first time since the town was incorporated about five years ago, John W. Neal will face opposition. J. D. Gupton, a truck driver for Northeastern Trucking Co. working out of Gaston, N. C., has filed for the race. Gupton lives in Centerville, is married to the former Ella Darnell of Norlina and has one son, Jay. Neal has held the Mayor's post unopposed since Centerville was incorporated by the 1965 General Assembly.

Louisburg Mayor V. A. Peoples, Franklinton Mayor Joe Pearce and Youngsville Mayor Marvin Roberts are all unopposed.

The five incumbent members of the Franklinton Town Board are without opposition but the three seats on the City Board of Education are being contested. Two incumbents, William Avery Wilder and S. L. (Pete) Colbert are seeking reelection. C. H. Weston, third member whose term expires this year, is not seeking reelection. Five others are seeking one of the three seats. Nat Cannady, Clifton Conyers and three Negroes, B. Don Blockson, Thomas O. Perry and James R. Jones are also running for the School Board.

Incumbent Franklinton Town Board members are: John F. Green, John Henry House, Charlie Hight, Jr., Henry Franklin Holmes and James S. Joyner. None are opposed in next Tuesday's elections.

Two women and seven men are seeking a seat on the six-member Louisburg Town Council. Five of the incumbents are seeking reelection. W. J. Shearin, who was a member of the

Council for a number of years before retiring for a few terms and gaining election in 1967, is not running again. Mayor pro tem Mrs. Breattie C. O'Neal, H. D. Jeffreys, Jonah C. Taylor, Grover C. Harris, Jr. and George T. (Jolly) Bunn are all seeking to return to the council.

Mrs. Thomas O. Wheless, homemaker and civic leader, is one of the political newcomers and the second woman to enter the race. Robert G. (Bob) Stanley, Louisburg College Business Manager and member of the Board of Directors of the Louisburg and Franklin County Business Association, and William T. (Bill) Beckham, Director of Food Services at Louisburg College and founder of the Rotary Little League, are two more political newcomers. P. B. Richardson is the first Negro to file for a seat on the council. Richardson is a funeral home director.

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Stanley Is Council Candidate

Robert G. (Bob) Stanley, Business Manager at Louisburg College, filed last week as a candidate for the Louisburg Town Council. Stanley, a native of Lake Waccamaw, N. C. came to Louisburg in 1954 as Dean of Men and to teach accounting at the College. He has coached the baseball team and for the past nine years, he has been Business Manager.

He received his education at Campbell College where he received an Associate of Arts Degree and East Carolina University where he received the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts Degrees. He majored in Business Administration and School Administration.

Stanley is married to the former Ann Taylor of Whiteville and they have three sons, Art, Mark and Craig. The Stanleys live at 121 Edgewood Drive here.

In announcing his candidacy, Stanley said, "I am running for Town Councilman to improve the services that the citizens receive from their tax dollars and to promote sound business practices in operating the Town government."

"The experience I have had as Business Manager of Louisburg," he continued, "will give me greater insight into understanding and solving many problems of the Town because many problems are similar. Some of these problems are: Personnel, accounting, budgeting, proper utilization of labor, fiscal control, wage and salary administration, purchasing, construction and maintenance."



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Alcoholism Program Considered

Twenty-nine local professionals recently completed a series of conference meetings for the purpose of exploring the nature of the problem of alcoholism in Franklin County. These meetings came about as a result of a growing awareness of the extent and seriousness of the problem in the local area as indicated by first hand experiences with alcoholics, statistical information from the law enforcement agencies and hospitals and a survey of approximately 200 Franklin County people.

The considerable and varied experience of the participating members allowed the group to view problem drinking and alcoholism from the perspective of law enforcement agencies, welfare services, health programs, treatment centers, educational institutions, the ministry, the employer, the family and the neighbor.

The group first of all took a close look at the circumstances surrounding the problem drinker or alcoholic before he reaches a stage of deterioration requiring treatment. Staff members from Dorothea Dix Hospital then shared their perceptions of the Franklin County alcoholic as he arrives for treatment, and explained the treatment techniques utilized. The next task for the conference group was an evaluation of the community resources available to cope with the problem from the standpoint of prevention.

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N.C. Wesleyan Prexy To Speak Largest Class Ever Will Graduate At LJC May 18th



COLLINS

— COMMENCEMENT

The largest class ever to graduate from Louisburg College will make the traditional academic procession from historic Main Building to the College Auditorium for graduation exercises on Sunday, May 18, at 2:30 p.m. 185 young men and women will hear Dr. Thomas A. Collins, President of North Carolina Wesleyan College, Rocky Mount, deliver the address which closes the college's 182nd year.

Of those 185 students graduating, 35 will receive the one-year business certificate, 7 the associate in science degree, and 143 the associate in arts degree. The vast majority of the A. S. and A. A. graduates will be attending senior colleges and universities this fall in a continuation of their education.

This college year saw the largest enrollment in the history of Louisburg College, with an average of 800 students for the two semesters. Several curriculum changes and experimental programs, along with a cooperative student body and dedicated faculty, have made this a most successful year in the mind of college administrators.

Commencement speaker Collins has been president of North Carolina Wesleyan College since its inception in 1959. A former United Methodist pastor, he has been active in numerous church and civic affairs for many years. He is a graduate of Asbury College, Asbury Theological Seminary, and Emory University. Dr. Collins was awarded an honorary doctorate by High Point College. He is married to the former Anna Galloway of Whitehall, N. Y., and they have four children.

The Baccalaureate Sermon will be delivered on Sunday morning, May 18, at 11 o'clock by the Reverend Norwood L. Jones, pastor of the Louisburg United Methodist Church. The service will be held in the College Auditorium. Mr. Jones has been pastor of the Louisburg Church for the past three years. He is a graduate of Louis-



JONES

— BACCALAUREATE

burg College and High Point College, as well as the Duke Divinity School.

Mrs. Jones is the former Helen Rush Meredith of Trinity, North Carolina. The Jones' have two children.

Marshals for the occasions of Baccalaureate and Commencement are: Susan Paulette Duke, chief, Louisburg; Deborah Elizabeth Roberts, Warrenton; Edith Louise Dudley, Fairfield; Margaret Vell Freeman, Louisburg; and Mrs. Swanelle C. Ethern, Bunn.

Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, president of Louisburg College, will preside at both services.

County Students Among LJC Marshals

Of the five students named to serve as marshals for Louisburg College commencement exercises May 18, three are from Franklin County. The marshal selection is based on highest academic averages attained during the fall semester and first half of spring semester's work. As a result of the highly competitive nature of selection, the position of marshal is considered a goal of high honor and achievement.

Susan Paulette Duke, Chief Marshal, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duke of Route 2, Louisburg; Deborah Elizabeth Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Roberts, 403 Rodwell Street, Warrenton; Edith Louise Dudley, daughter of Mrs. Dorothy J. Dudley of Fairfield; Margaret Vell Freeman, daughter of Mrs. N. F. Freeman, 903 N. Main Street, Louisburg; and Mrs. Swanelle C. Ethern, wife of Reverend Rayford Ethern of Bunn.



WILLIAM E. UZZELL

Native Tagged By Nixon

Royal Crown Cola President William E. Uzzell of Columbus has been appointed to the National Alliance of Businessmen by President Richard M. Nixon, it was announced Saturday in Washington.

The alliance, dedicated to eradicating the hard-core unemployed by seeking companies that will hire, train and place unemployables in respectable jobs, is chaired by Henry Ford II, board chairman of Ford Motor Co.

It was started about a year ago under the auspices of former President Lyndon B. Johnson, who called a group of top businessmen in the U. S. to Washington to implement the program and get it rolling.

Since, the alliance has been heralded as the prime mover against hard-core unemployed and the blight of living conditions in city ghettos.

Uzzell, born in Louisburg, N. C., Aug. 11, 1912, was educated in public schools there and was graduated from the University of North Carolina with a B. S. degree in commerce.

He joined Nehi Corp., now Royal Crown, in 1938, starting as a special sales representative.

From 1950 to 1955, he was Southwestern division manager, later became sales manager of the bottled beverage division and general sales manager.

In March, 1963, he was elected to the company's board of directors, and a year later he was elected to membership on the board's executive committee.

On April 5, 1965, Uzzell was elected president of Royal Crown.

He and his wife, the former Frances Hill of Columbus, live on Fleetwood Drive. They are the parents of two daughters, Gretchen and Catherine.

Cops Capture Copper Crooks

Franklinton Police Chief Leo Edwards reported this morning that two Alamance County men are lodged in the Franklinton jail, charged with larceny after being captured early this morning with a load of copper wire, reportedly taken from the Seaboard Railway Company at Franklinton.

Edwards said that Deputy Sheriff John Deal and Franklinton Police Officer Ted Debnam were parked at The Pines Restaurant on US-1 last night when a panel truck was spotted traveling south on a dirt road running parallel to US-1. When the two officers headed south to observe the truck it turned around and headed

north. A check with Seaboard agent Robert I. Zipperer disclose that a "tug" on the company's copper lines had been reported earlier. The officers stopped the truck and found around 800 pounds of copper wire, said Edwards.

Arrested were William G. Williams, w/m/29 of Altamahaw, N. C. and Johnny Alvin Eastwood, w/m/29 of Burlington, N. C. Williams is the father of five children and Eastwood is the father of two, according to Chief Edwards. The arrests were made around 1 A.M. this morning and both men are being held in the Franklinton jail under \$2,000 bond.



Boys Camping Cabin Burns

Scene above shows flames engulfing a boys camp cabin near Franklin Memorial Hospital Monday afternoon. The structure, owned by W. L. Lumpkin and built several years ago for his boys, was a favorite camping site for other youngsters in the neighborhood. The building was completely destroyed and origin of the fire was undetermined. The young boys who used the cabin were all in school at the time of the blaze. Staff photo by Clint Fuller.

College Glee Club To Give Concert

The Louisburg College Glee Club and Chapel Choir, under the direction of Sarah Foster, will present their annual Spring Concert Thursday evening, May 1, at 8:00 in the college auditorium.

The Glee Club will open the program with four secular numbers, one from the 18th century by Bach, one from the 19th century by Dvorak, and two 20th century compositions by Murray and Noble Cain.

Other numbers on the program are spirituals, folk songs, and several Broadway musical selections including "Wunderbar," "Talk To The Animals," and "On A Wonderful Day Like Today." The Women's Chorus will sing "Baubies, Bangles, and Beads" from "Kismet" and the Men's Chorus, "Drinking Song" from "The Student Prince." The Chapel Choir will also sing familiar selections such as "Cabaret," "Anywhere I Wander," and a medley of Irving Berlin's patriotic songs. The entire Glee Club will close the program with Berlin's "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor."

Soloists for the concert are Anne Nichols, mezzo-soprano; Jimmy Jones, tenor; and Jim Davis, baritone. Beth McDonald will play a flute accompaniment, and David Driggs a drum accompaniment, for one selection. Piano accompanists are Anne Anderson and Martha Morgan.

The public is cordially invited to attend this concert.



Water Line To New Plant

Workmen and machines of the T. A. Loving Company are shown above Monday, laying the water line from a site near the Gay Products Plant to the new J. K. Rishel Furniture Company plant site on NC-56 west of Louisburg. The line is to be completed by June 1, according to a previous announcement. Site preparation is now underway for the new Rishel plant, which is expected to get under construction shortly. Staff photo by Clint Fuller.